

# BONHOMME RICHARD'S ALMANC

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"I have not yet begun to fight!"



## NATIONALIST PARTY RULE ENDS IN TAIWAN

Chen Shui-bian, an opposition politician who long advocated Taiwan's independence, was elected as president Saturday, ending more than half a century of Nationalist rule and risking dangerous new tensions with mainland China.

Chen, a 49-year-old lawyer who served as mayor of Taipei and struggled against martial law in the 1980s, won with 39 percent of the vote in a bitter three-way race. His victory, the first transition of power in Taiwan's young democracy, was made possible by a schism in the Nationalist Party that led one of its leaders, James Soong, to mount an independent candidacy. Soong, a populist former governor of Taipei province, came in second with a strong 37 percent showing; Lien Chan, the Nationalist candidate, got just 23 percent.

Chen will take office on May

20, succeeding Taiwan's first elected president, Lee Heng-tui. For years, Chen and his Democratic Progressive Party called for independence from the mainland. He has recently said no declaration of independence is needed because Taiwan is already sovereign.

Beijing has issued dire warnings against his election, with Prime Minister Zhu Rongji all but saying that it could provoke a war. In his victory speech, Chen avoided inflammatory references to Taiwanese statehood and said he would seek deeper economic ties and "a permanent peace." He has promised he will not declare independence or hold a referendum on the issue unless Taiwan comes under attack. However, in a statement certain to anger Beijing, he also pledged, "We won't let Taiwan become another Hong Kong or Macau."

### TWO DIFFERENT ROADS TO N.Y. SENATE SEAT By Adam Nagourney

In the six weeks since Hillary Rodham Clinton announced her candidacy for the Senate, she has delivered a stream of policy addresses that have begun to sketch out the ideological foundation for her campaign.

She has given a score of interviews and traveled across New York State. She has been staging campaign events day after day. Mrs. Clinton's style could hardly be more different

from that of her opponent, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani. The mayor has yet to deliver a full speech discussing what he might do in the Senate.

His campaign trips have been irregular. He has not even staged a formal announcement. He probably never will. This is a matter of design. In the weeks since Mrs. Clinton announced her candidacy, she and Giuliani have chosen starkly different roads to the Senate.

#### HISTO RY PAST

#### THE MAN WHO DROPPED THE FIRST ATOMIC BOMB DIED WITH REGRETS By Associated Press

The U.S. bombardier who dropped the first atomic bomb ever in a war has died at home after a brief illness. Thomas Wilson Ferebee, age 81, was a Major in the American Air Force on August 6 1945, when he dropped the bomb on the western Japanese city of Hiroshima from the B 29 Enola Gay.

Ferebee, who retired from the Air Force in 1970, said he never felt guilt for his part in the bombing. But he did express some regrets about the use of nuclear weapons and the huge number of people who were killed or maimed in the attack.

The only other man who has dropped a nuclear bomb in war, Nagasaki bombardier Kermit Beahan, died in 1989. Japan surrendered five days after the Nagasaki bomb was dropped. There are now only four surviving members of the Enola Gay's crew.

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EWC (SW) David Findlay and FC1 (SW/AW) Mitch Stewart show off their still smoking aft CIWS mount after Monday's PACFIRE. (Photo by JO3 Laura Wiggins.)

#### \*TUESDAY'S SITE TV SCHEDULE\*

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1630 ER
1730 JEOPARDY
1800 BEVERLY HILLS 90210
1900 MELROSE PLACE
2000 JURASSIC PARK: LOST
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1630 TEACHING MRS. TINGLE
1800 BLADE RUNNER
2000 MRS. DOUBTFIRE
2200 MISTER ROBERTS

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#### **SPORTS**

#### MARK MARTIN WINS SUNCOM 200 By New York Times

Mark Martin showed who's boss in the Roush Racing garage at Darlington Raceway, holding off teammate Jeff Burton to win the SunCom 200 on Saturday.

#### LOVE GETS ANOTHER CHANCE TO TRACK DOWN TIGER WOODS By New York Times

The good news for Davis Love III is that he put himself in position Saturday for yet another chance to win the Bay Hill Invitational. All he has to do now is figure out a way to beat Tiger Woods.

In deceptive, swirling winds that made it difficult to choose the right club, Woods overcame an early bogey for a 5-under 67 that gave him a two-stroke lead over Love going into the final round. Under a brief downpour at the end of a hot, blustery day, Woods made his fourth solid par save out of thick rough on the 18th to maintain his cushion. He was at 16-under 200.

Love walked off with a 9-under 63, one of the best rounds ever at Bay Hill, considering the conditions. Love made two eagles on the back nine, chipped in twice, holed two putts over 30 feet from on the fringe and didn't break any sprinkler heads. Now comes the hard part.

"I've always been a big believer in that they've got to come get me," Woods said of his first outright 54-hole lead since the Tour Championship in late October. That also was the first of three final-round beatings that Love has suffered at the hands of the world's No. 1 player.

### NCAA TOURNAMENT RAGES ON By Liz Robbins

When the ball came to Syracuse's Preston Shumpert on Saturday, launched it with confidence, breaking a 50-50 tie with only 36.8 seconds remaining in a see-saw affair against Kentucky. That last shot proved enough to send Syracuse to the Round of 16 for the first time in three years and sent Kentucky home to Lexington. Shumpert led the Orangemen with 12 points in their satisfying 52-50 victory over Kentucky. He was the only Syracuse player in double figures on a dismal shooting afternoon in which Syracuse shot only 31.7 percent and Kentucky 40.5.

#### OTHER TOURNAMENT SCORES:

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#### THE CABLE GUY



Interior Communications Electrician First Class Lee Messenger repairs a bad integrated circuit chip in a broadcast distribution amplifier. The bad chip caused a ship-wide broadcast outage of the circuit 27 TV system which includes surveillance cameras, TV-DTS and SITE-TV. (Photo by JO1 (SW) Robert W. Garnand.)

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